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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Steven Alan Cordes, et al.  
Serial Number : 09/940,415  
Filing Date : August 28, 2001  
Examiner : John A. McPherson  
Group Art Unit : 1756  
For : PRECISION APERTURES FOR  
LITHOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 4, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims as set forth in the Appendix A attached hereto.